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REPLY UNDER  
37 CFR § 1.116  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: )  
Tatsuo HOSHINO *et al.* )  
Serial No.: 10/528,872 )  
Filed: September 29, 2005 )  
For: **SQS GENE** )  
Examiner: M. Y. Meah  
Art Unit: 1652

New York, New York  
November 28, 2007

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116 INCLUDING  
AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2007, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is hereby requested. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before November 30, 2007. 37 CFR §§ 1.8 and 1.136. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$120.00 to

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cover the fee for the extension of time. 37 CFR § 1.17. Please charge any required extension-of-time fees, or any other fees, not otherwise paid by check to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Because the Office Action made the rejection of the pending claims final, consideration of this response pursuant to the expedited procedure for response after final rejection set forth in MPEP § 714.13 (8<sup>th</sup> Ed., Rev. 5, Aug. 2006, pp. 700-261 to 700-262) respectfully is solicited.

Please amend the application as follows:

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**REMARKS** begin on page 10 of this paper.